

REMARKS

Applicants request favorable reconsideration and allowance of the subject application in view of the preceding amendments and the following remarks.

Claims 1-22 are presented for consideration, with claims 1, 8, and 14 being independent.

Applicants note with appreciation that claims 1-22 have been indicated as allowable.

In the outstanding Office Action, Figures 5-7, 9, 10, 14, and 18, as well as the specification, title, and claims 6, 8, 12, 14, and 21 were objected to.

By this Amendment, the title and abstract have been amended as shown above. In addition, to place the application in better form, Applicants submit herewith a substitute specification, which particularly addresses the Examiner's objections, as set forth in the Office Action, and which also corrects other grammatical and inadvertent errors. No new matter is believed to be added by the changes to the title, abstract, and specification.

By separate paper filed concurrently herewith, replacement Figures 6, 10, and 14 are presented to obviate the objections to those Figures. The remaining objections to the drawings are obviated by the changes to the specification, as set forth in the substitute specification.

Claims 1, 3, 5-8, 10-12, 14-17, and 19-21 have been amended to improve their form. In addition, claims 6, 12, and 21 have been amended because they inadvertently recited that "the *development* unit applies a predetermined voltage...." Applicants submit that the amendments to the claims present no new matter, and that all of the claims continue to be allowable.

For the reasons noted above, Applicants submit that the instant application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and an early notice of allowance are requested.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

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